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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R.
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Sir:

This communication responds to the Examiner's statement of the reasons for allowance of the claims, contained within the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed October 31, 2006.

Applicant wishes to comment on the Examiner's statements regarding the reasons for allowance of claims 12-19 by pointing out that the reasons set forth by the Examiner refer only to certain features of independent claim 12 and are not the only reasons that claims 112-19 are allowable. Claim 12 may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner or taught or suggested by the prior art. Additionally, each of

dependent claims 13-19 may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner.

As such, claims 12-19 may be patentable for reasons not mentioned by the Examiner as well as for those reasons mentioned by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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